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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

The extension fee for response within the third month is \$475.00. A check for this amount is enclosed herewith.

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